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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Appl. No.: 10/782,713
Applicant(s): Michael J. Deutsch
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Title: Incision Closure Device
Docket No.: 720382.00004

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Sir:

Before the first Office Action in the above-referenced case, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 2 and include both an attached replacement sheet and an annotated sheet showing changes.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 3 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings:

The attached sheet of drawings includes changes to Fig. 4. This sheet, which includes Figs. 1- 5, replaces the original sheet including Figs. 1-5.

Attachment: Replacement Sheet

Annotated Sheet Showing Changes